

Reading 9

Task 1	1	2	3	4	5
	6	7	8	9	10
	11	12	13	14	15
Task 2	16	17	18	19	20
Task 3	21	22	23	24	25
Task 4	26	27	28	29	30
	31	32	33	34	35

--

Task 1. Read the story *HAWAIIAN HOLIDAYS*. Mark statements (1-15) below the text as **T (true)** or **F (false)**.

(15 points)

HAWAIIAN HOLIDAYS

When Kelly and Ken go to Hawaii for a holiday, they had lots of fun in the sun. They return with photos and presents for their friends and lots of exciting memories. Kelly and Ken’s plane has just landed. "Aian, Midge, you’ve come to meet us. What a surprise," said Ken. "How was Hawaii? asked Midge. "Wonderful!" said Kelly. "Come back to our place for coffee and tell us about it," said Alan.

"Now, we want to hear all about your exotic holiday," said Alan. "Well," said Kelly, "the day we arrived, we met up with our Hawaiian friends, Jane, Skip and Susie, on their yacht"

"Welcome to paradise," said Susie. "These garlands of flowers are to wish you a good holiday," said Skip. "Thank you, how kind," said Kelly. "They smell wonderful!" said Skipper. "I have the crown," said Ken. "So I must be the king of the holidays."

"Skip is playing the drums. Come on, let’s dance, Kelly," said Susie. "Oh, yes, I love dancing, especially the hula," said Kelly. Skipper watched. "You’re both such good dancers," she said.

Soon it was time for dinner. "Mmm, it smells great," said Jane. "I’m so hungry," said Skipper. "I don’t think Kelly and Susie want to stop dancing," laughed Skip.

Kelly was relaxing in the sunshine the next morning, when her friends appeared. "Hi, Kelly. Come and play volleyball with us," said Skipper. "We’re sure to win with you on our team," added Ken, smiling. "But I haven’t played volleyball for ages," laughed Kelly.

"Oh, come on, it’ll be fun," said Susie. "Well, alright," Kelly replied. "If we win this point, we’ve won the game," said Ken. "Go for it, Kelly!" "Go on, score, Kelly!" said Skipper. "I’ll try," laughed Kelly. "Hoorah! We’ve won!" shouted Ken. "What a great volley," said Skipper. "We did it," cried Kelly. "Well done, team." "Three cheers for Kelly, Ken and Skipper. What a great team!" cheered Skip and Susie.

..."It sounds like you had a fantastic time," said Alan. "Do you have any photos?" "Yes, here they are," replied Ken. "Here we are with our friends," said Kelly. "We sailed around the island on this yacht." "It looks very luxurious," said Midge. "It was," said Kelly. "And Skipper is still there, lucky girl." "This is me cooking on a barbecue," said Ken, showing Alan and Midge another photo. "I didn’t know you could cook," joked Alan. Ken grinned. "I’m the best!" he said.

"Here we are after the volleyball game, with the winners’ cup," said Kelly. "Oh, yes. The star players," said Midge. "What’s happening here?" asked Alan. Kelly laughed. "We caught Jane putting ice-cream down Susie’s back," she replied. "They kept playing tricks on each other," added Ken. "It was very funny."

"This looks like a market place. Did they have lots of locally- produced things for sale?" Midge asked Kelly. "Exotic spices, perfume, jewellery you’d have loved it, Midge." "So, I had to buy you some perfume," Kelly continued. "Thank you so much," said Midge. "It smells gorgeous, so exotic." "It was hand-made," said Kelly. "I bought some for Christie, too."

"Hawaii is wonderful," said Ken. "And so was the holidays," said Kelly. "We have good memories," said Midge. "And, above all, good friends," said Alan.

	<i>True</i>	<i>False</i>

1. Alan and Midge invited Kelly and Ken to the restaurant.
2. Kelly and Ken had never met Susie, Skipper and Christie before.
3. The yacht belonged to Kelly and Ken's friends.
4. Susie was good at playing the guitar.
5. Kelly likes dancing very much.
6. When Kelly was relaxing in the sunshine her friends invited her for dinner.
7. Kelly didn’t like playing volleyball.
8. Kelly’s team won the game because Kelly could score a very important point.
9. Kelly and Ken didn’t have a camera during the holidays.
10. Kelly and Ken sailed I w the island on board sea liner.

Empty box for the code number.

Reading 9

- 11. Ken knew how to make good barbecues.
- 12. Skip and Kelly kept playing tricks on each other.
- 13. Kelly and Ken visited a local market place.
- 14. Kelly bought some exotic spices for Midge and jewellery for Christie.
- 15. Ken and Kelly enjoyed their holiday greatly.

MARK YOUR ANSWERS ON THE SEPARATE ANSWER SHEET.

Task 2.

(5 points)

Read and choose the best answer (A, B, C or D) to the questions. (16-20)

Teenage Fiction

Teenagers have their own TV channels, websites and magazines. So what about books?

Last year one publisher, Martins, started publishing a series called Waves. We spoke to the director Julia Smith. She explained, 'Teenage fiction has been published since the 1970s but publishers have never been particularly successful in getting teenagers to buy and read books. Now they're realising that teenagers aren't just older children but they're not adults either and often aren't interested in adult fiction. For this series we're looking for new writers who write especially for teenagers.'

Athene Gorr's novel was published in the series last year and is selling well. Its title is The Purple Ring. She says, 'The important thing is to persuade teenagers to pick up your book. I'm a new writer so, although I've got an unusual name which people might remember, nobody knows it yet! But my book has a fantastic cover which makes people want to look inside. Then they realise what a brilliant story it is!

And what do teenagers themselves think about the series? We talked to Sophie Clarke, aged 15. She said, 'I've read a few books in the Waves series. They say they're for 14-19 year olds and I agree with that. We're not interested in the same things as people in their twenties and thirties. I like them and I think they look really good too. The only thing is that because bookshops put them in the children's section, lots of teenagers won't find them so they may not do very well. And it's a shame there's no non-fiction in the series as I think lots of teenagers, especially boys, might buy that.'

- 16. What is the writer trying to do?
 - A. persuade authors to write more teenage fiction
 - B. explain why teenage fiction is easier to write than adult fiction
 - C. give information about a new series of books
 - D. compare different series of teenage fiction
- 17. Julia Smith says publishers now recognise that teenagers
 - A. can enjoy the same kind of stories as adults.
 - B. are neither children nor adults.
 - C. grow up more quickly nowadays.
 - D. are more interested in reading nowadays.
- 18. Athene Gorr thinks teenagers were attracted to her book because of
 - A. her name.
 - B. the story.
 - C. its title.
 - D. its cover.
- 19. What does Sophie Clarke say about the books in the Waves series?
 - A. They shouldn't be kept with children's books.
 - B. She would prefer to read adult fiction.
 - C. They will be bought by lots of teenagers.
 - D. She isn't keen on the design.

20. Which of these paragraphs could be used to advertise the Waves series?
- A. This series is for all teenagers and those who are nearly teenagers. Whether you're 10 or 19, you'll find something here to please you.
 - B. Choose a book from the Waves series. It includes both fiction and non-fiction and is aimed at teenagers aged 14+.
 - C. If you're aged between 14 and 19, don't miss the Waves series which has novels by new authors.
 - D. The Waves series has been popular with teenagers since the 1970s. This year we have added 20 new writers to our list.

MARK YOUR ANSWERS ON THE SEPARATE ANSWER SHEET.

Task 3. Read and choose the best answer (A, B, C or D) to the question.

(5points)

A Long Journey

When the plane arrived on Prince Edward Island in Canada, the snow was thick on the ground as they'd had about 100cm in 24 hours. That amount of snow was unusual for the island but I didn't know that so I wasn't worried. It didn't look much thicker than snow I'd seen in Scotland. I was going to visit my friend, Chris, and he'd warned me it would be very cold and snowy. In fact I was feeling too warm as I had too many clothes on.

Chris met me in his car and we were quite near his house, which was only five kilometres from the airport, when we got stuck in the snow. So we phoned the road rescue services and a man and a truck arrived. He said we were the fifth car he'd pulled out of the snow that evening. He started his engine and he'd almost pulled us out... only to find that the truck had brought a whole pile of snow down from the sides of the road onto both vehicles and the truck was stuck too. He phoned to get an even larger truck to come and rescue us all. Eventually it did!

Chris turned off the engine and we sat in the car to wait for the second truck to pull us out. I suggested he might keep the engine running so we could stay warm. He pointed out that the petrol gauge was showing nearly empty and he was anxious that we still had to get to his house. We finally arrived at his house at 4.30 in the morning - five hours after leaving the airport.

21. What is the writer trying to do?
- A. give advice about driving in the snow
 - B. describe an experience she had
 - C. suggest a visit to Prince Edward Island
 - D. explain what she liked about Prince Edward Island
22. When she got off the plane, the writer
- A. was afraid about the journey she had to make.
 - B. was excited at seeing so much snow.
 - C. realised the weather was colder than she'd expected.
 - D. thought the snow wasn't a problem for her.
23. Why didn't the first truck get them out of the snow?
- A. Its engine wasn't strong enough.
 - B. It knocked more snow on top of the car.
 - C. It couldn't get close enough to the car.
 - D. Its driver wasn't sure how to do it.
24. What was Chris worried about while they were waiting?
- A. They might not have enough petrol to get home.
 - B. They might get too cold.
 - C. The truck might not be able to find them.
 - D. The car engine might not start.

25. Which of these postcards did the writer send the next day?

- A. The journey from the airport was much longer than normal because of the snow. I travelled to Chris's house in a truck, in the end.
- B. When I arrived here, it had snowed heavily so Chris wasn't able to fetch me from the airport until later.
- C. We got stuck in the snow on the way back- from the airport and it took two trucks to get us out!
- D. We had to phone for the rescue services because we ran out of petrol on the way back from the airport. The journey took five hours!

MARK YOUR ANSWERS ON THE SEPARATE ANSWER SHEET.

Task 4. There are 4 words in each group. Odd out the unsuitable word.

(5points)

- 26. a) cucumbers; b) cabbages;
c) peaches; d) onions.
- 27. a) a chair; b) a sofa;
c) a bookcase; d) a tiger.
- 28. a) meat; b) sausage;
c) furniture; d) bacon.
- 29. a) fit; b) tie;
c) join; d) fix.
- 30. a) complex; b) continuous;
c) difficult; d) complicated.
- 31. a) demand; b) need;
c) determine; d) require.
- 32. a) state; b) type;
c) sort; d) category.
- 33. a) sphere; b) area;
c) field; d) object.
- 34. a) make; b) fasten;
c) produce; d) manufacture.
- 35. a) coal; b) gas;
c) iron; d) apple.

MARK YOUR ANSWERS ON THE SEPARATE ANSWER SHEET.